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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-7 (cancelled)

Claim 8 (currently amended): A nut spread comprising at least about 35% by weight on a non-fat basis of nut solids, wherein said nut spread has a protein to fat ratio of greater than about 0.68:1 and, a fiber to fat ratio of greater than about 0.18:1, and less than about 20% fat; and wherein said nut spread comprises a mixture of:

(a) a protein containing oil suspension comprising defatted nut flour, fiber, oil, oil substitute, and optionally diluents, and optionally non-nut protein;

(b) a sugar containing oil suspension comprising sugar, oil substitute, and surfactant.

Claim 9 (original): The nut spread of Claim 8, having a protein to fat ratio of greater than about 1:1.

Claim 10 (original): The nut spread of Claim 9, having a fiber to fat ratio of greater than about 0.5:1.

Claims 11-12 (cancelled)

Claim 13 (original): The nut spread of Claim 8, comprising from about 5% to about 20% fiber.

Claims 14-22 (cancelled)

Claim 23 (original): The nut spread of Claim 8, comprising greater than about 15% protein.

Claim 24 (original): The nut spread of Claim 23, comprising from about 18% to about 35% protein.

Claims 25-36 (cancelled)

Claim 37 (original): The nut spread of Claim 8, having a mono-modal particle size distribution with a D_{50} of less than 15 microns and a D_{90} of less than 35 microns.

Claims 38-64 (cancelled)

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